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SUBJECT: EXTRANCHECK: PRE-LICENSE CHECK: BOROGUE 2 PROJECT; ABU DHABI POLYMERS COMPANY LTD.

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- 11. Reftel requested that post conduct a pre-license check at the Borouge 2 Project administered by the Abu Dhabi Polymers Company for license application no. D407715: numerous bleed, relief, spectacle blind and ball valves and inlets which are all controlled under ECCN 2B350 for Chemical, Biological Warfare, and Anti-Terrorism reasons.
- 12. On Dec 18, 2008, Export Control Officer (ECO) met with Mr. Mohammad Salim Akbar, Project Support Manager, Borouge 2, Al-Ruwais Petrochemicals Facility, Al Ruwais, UAE. Akbar provided the following information: The Borogue 2 Project is one of the largest plastics projects in the world and it is in the process of expanding by 2010 into the world's biggest olefins conversion unit. The Abu Dhabi Polymers Company (aka: Borogue) was established in 1998 as a joint venture between the Abu Dhabi Government owned Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) and Borealis, a European plastics provider.
- 14. ECO's observations of the facility were consistent with very well established and large scale petrochemicals manufacturing plant. Akbar introduced ECO to Mr. Samdeep Sud, Commissioning Manager, Borogue 2 Project who explained that these various valves and inlets are to be used in developing the wet air oxidation (WAO) system which will be installed by Siemens Water Technologies. This WAO system will be used to treat highly caustic disposable by-products of olefins refining to make them environmental friendly so they won't harm the local eco-system when discharged into the Arabian Gulf.
- 15. Post considers the Borogue 2 Project; Abu Dhabi Polymers Company Ltd. to be reliable recipients of U.S.-origin items for these transactions.

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